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Senate Resolution 306

By: Senators Staton of the 18th and Tolleson of the 20th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of James S. Mason; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, on February 12, 2005, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most
- 3 distinguished citizens with the tragic and untimely passing of James S. Mason; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this exceptional individual exhibited outstanding leadership in all of his life,
- 5 including his service as a founding board member of the Houston County Development
- 6 Authority, serving from 1974 until his death; as one of the founding fathers of the City of
- 7 Centerville and as its first police officer and as a member of the city council for three terms;
- 8 and as a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Centerville; and
- 9 WHEREAS, his unparalleled organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
- and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his acute sensitivity to the needs of the citizens
- of his community and state earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and
- 12 associates; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the untimely passing of this generous, kind, and devoted man leaves an
- unfillable void in the hearts and lives of his family and friends.
- 15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 16 express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of James S. Mason.
- 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 18 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of James S. Mason.